

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Lang et al.

Application No.: 10/681,749

Group No.: 3733

Filed: October 7, 2003

Examiner: Philogene, P.

For: Minimally Invasive Joint Implant with 3-Dimensional Geometry Matching the Articular Surfaces

Attn: Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is a response for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for three months:

Fee: \$510.00

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)		(Col. 3)				SMALL ENTITY	
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA		RATE		ADDIT. FEE	
TOTAL	148	—	122	=	26	x	\$ 25.00	=	\$ 650.00	
INDEP.	23	—	19	=	4	x	\$ 100.00	=	\$ 400.00	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM							+	\$ 0.00	=	\$ 0.00
TOTAL										
ADDIT. FEE									\$	1,050.00

Total additional fee for claims required \$1,050.00

FEE PAYMENT

5. Authorization is hereby made to charge the amount of \$1,560.00 to Deposit Account No. 19-4972.

Charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment in the manner authorized above.

FEE DEFICIENCY

6. If an additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 19-4972.
If an additional fee for claims is required, charge Account No. 19-4972.

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RESPONSE C

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit this response and requests that the following amendments and remarks, in response to the Office Action mailed March 28, 2007, be considered.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 20 of this paper.